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THE INTER-STATE

Line-Up Shows Wheeling Has a Very Strong Team, that Compares Favorably With Any of the Others.

With the exception of Columbus, where the franchise and player uncertainties have only recently been satisfactorily adjusted, the personnel of the eight teams of the Inter-state league is known, and estimates on the strength of the several aggregations are in order.

The pennant winners of 1899, the New Castles, will open the coming season with practically the same team. Their pitching staff is exactly the same, Wadsworth, Streiff, Flegelmier and Smith. The only new men are Shortstop Walsh and Outfielder McCredie.

While New Castle seems to be content to rest on their oars, every other team has strengthened, or at least has made changes—and "changing" and "strengthening" in base ball are words of synonymous meaning, at least before the playing season opens. About the first of June it may be another story.

The second place Mansfields show some changes. Of their '99 pitching corps they have Irwin and Smith, both good men, and Hackett, the erratic. Several "experiments" have been landed, who will be tried out before the championship season opens. "Piggy" Ward, at second, and Buttermore, in the outfield, will be missed. They were signed when the Atlantic "busted" and insisted on the exclusion of the reservation clause from their contracts. On the present showing Lowmyer's team does not look dangerous.

Toledo's infield is minus McDonough, the brilliant third baseman, who was apprehended by natural gas this winter. In his place Stroebel has signed Bert Schills, a Michigan amateur, who may be a frost in the fast little Inter-state. "Sandy" Griffin will no longer be seen at short; in his stead Kane, a St. Louis amateur whom Wheeling turned down last spring, has been engaged. He is said to be a promising player. Cates, drafted by Kansas City, will be missed from the pitching corps, which will be made up of Wilste, Butler and Ewing, of the old team, and two youngsters.

Fort Wayne looks strong if they "make good" on all the players claimed. Guess, though, may be retained by Indianapolis, and will be if Watkins knows his business. There is another uncertainty; Glasscock has not come to terms, and on the other hand has accepted terms offered by Sioux City, of the Western League. Another player in dispute is Second Baseman Flood. With adverse decisions in the cases of these players the Hoosiers will be weak, decidedly weak.

Youngstown is an enigma. They have most of the players of the '99 team, and the new manager, M. J. Finn, has brought several of his Newport, (R. I.) crowd with him. How these New Englanders will perform remains to be seen; probably they will show up a little slow.

Dayton has a bunch of new talent that is difficult to diagnose. In Watkins and Moore, of the '99 team, Armour has two speedy slab artists. Not much is known of the new ball pitchers.

Columbus' team is not yet completed and of course will remain an uncertain factor. Riley made no mistake in signing "Reddy" Gilligan for short-field; he is fast on his feet and uses excellent judgment both at bat and on the sward. He was with Buffalo the latter part of the season of '99, but did not get a fair trial there. Of the pitchers, Schmidt was with Cleveland last year.

And last, but not least, if the court knows herself, comes Wheeling—home of the Stogie, hot-bed of fandom and the best town in Uncle Sam's broad domain. What's the matter with the team Henly and Lytle have signed? Decidedly, it's all right, and when it is compared with the others we can do nothing but add to our bunch of confidence and calmly await Charley Fowler's whip-crack for the starting of the race. We are being accused of winning the 1900 pennant on paper in some quarters—that is an exaggeration, but really we do feel pretty good, and it will require some hard knocks to elect complacency from our state of mind.

To begin with, the Stogie town pitching corps appears to outclass anything the other clubs can show up. Foole would have been a National Leaguer but for the eight-club circuit; Bates has pitched great ball in both the National and Inter-state leagues; Pardee was a Western League star; Stricklin pitched a Western Association team to a pennant, and Wells is a winner, if he reports in his '99 form. Then there are possible comers in Bowman and Skope. Both the infield and outfield look very strong, and all-in-all the team has all the earmarks of a winner. With good management this team is a certainty for the first division.

From Cleveland comes the news that Manning, of Kansas City, has agreed to release Pitcher Pardee to Cleveland. It is hoped Lytle can show the right kind of claim to this twirler, for his loss would be a sad blow. Manning recently released Pitcher Pardee and Stricklin and Outfielder Miller to Wheeling, but it is said there was a string to the transaction, in which event, of course, Manning could change his mind and give Pardee to Cleveland.

Jennings Will Not Play.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 20.—A letter received here to-day from Hugh Jennings, the famous infielder of the Brooklyn base ball club, makes the announcement that he will not play base ball any more. Jennings says he will not sign the contract tendered by the Brooklyn management. He is at Ithaca, training the Cornell University team. After the trip south with the

college players, Jennings, it is stated, will become sporting editor of a Philadelphia newspaper.

THE FIGHT OFF

Sharkey Failed to Appear—Fitzsimmons to Fight McCoy.

NEW YORK, March 20.—The proposed fight between Bob Fitzsimmons and Tom Sharkey is off. Promptly at 1 o'clock this afternoon Fitzsimmons appeared at the Delavan House, as agreed upon last night. He was soon followed by Al Smith, who acted as receiver of bids; Tom O'Rourke, representing the Seaside Sporting Club, of Coney Island, and Martin Julian, of the West Chester Athletic Club, of Tuckahoe, N. Y., and George Tucker, of the same club. All repaired to a private room, where O'Rourke and Julian handed Al Smith certified checks for \$5,000 each. Then there was a wait for Sharkey, who had agreed to appear with his forfeit of \$5,000. During the wait there was some argument between Julian and O'Rourke as to the details of the proposed fight. O'Rourke stood by his proposition of last night, offering 90 per cent of the gross receipts of the club, while Julian still offered 67 per cent in behalf of the West Chester Athletic Club.

O'Rourke tried to show that 60 per cent at the Seaside Athletic Club was better than 67 per cent at Tuckahoe. He claimed that the seating capacity of the Seaside Athletic Club was the greater. Julian said he was familiar with the Seaside Athletic Club and knew that the West Chester Athletic Club could accommodate as many, if not more, patrons than the former organization.

On behalf of the West Chester Club, Julian offered 60 per cent of what might be received from the picture privilege. O'Rourke did not make any offer on that line.

At 1:30 p. m., Fitzsimmons rose and said that as Sharkey had not appeared for his forfeit, the fight was off. Julian then said that the offer of his club stood good with Fitzsimmons and any other man he might select, who would agree to fight him. Fitzsimmons said that was acceptable to him and that he would select Kid McCoy. The party then broke up, Fitzsimmons, Julian, Al Smith and George Tucker adjourning to McCoy's cafe.

When McCoy heard the proposition he said he was agreeable and Fitzsimmons and he agreed to meet at McCoy's place at noon next Saturday.

BOWLING.

Wheeling League.

Teams.	Won.	Lost.	Per.
Wheelings	58	14	.806
All Allies	50	19	.724
K. K. K.	45	20	.693
Oceolans	41	31	.569
Emigrants	40	22	.646
Rough Riders	33	28	.542
All Rooters	28	48	.368
Klansing Bugs	22	60	.268
Kemmers	13	69	.158
Apollos	12	69	.149

Last night's games resulted as follows:

Teams.	Won.	Lost.	Per.
ROUGH RIDERS.	123	31	.800
Emigrants	123	31	.800
Deluge	143	150	.489
Reed	142	157	.476
King	127	137	.479
W. K. K.	127	137	.479
Wells	124	177	.410
Frohne	123	119	.507

Totals 896 962 832 2681

ALL ALIES. 1st. 2d. 3d. Total

Teams.	Won.	Lost.	Per.
Rahr	158	109	.591
Arndt	156	146	.516
Chorran	154	137	.525
Wells	151	136	.523
Noite	151	136	.523
Blind	151	136	.523

Totals 1049 933 977 2933

Umpire—Anderson.

Scorers—Diacher and C. Arndt.

To-night—All Rooters vs. Oceolans.

Carroll Club League.

At the Carroll Club last night the Aureola team won three straight games, and in the last game made the high team score of the league. The feature of the games was the finish made by Mullerkey in the last game, making five consecutive strikes. Score:

East End	12	60	.213	871
Buckeyes	12	60	.105	828

The strong Colts and the Buckeye teams bowled at the Musee last evening, the Colts winning the three games by very

Totals 857 906 1070 2773

PHAS. 1st. 2d. 3d. Total

Reed	162	226	175	563
Biekmyer	192	187	180	559
Totals	1102	1114	998	3214

Totals 820 856 835 2511

Musee League.

Hannan	117	124	135	376
Totals	808	829	964	2601

The strong Colts and the Buckeye teams bowled at the Musée last evening, the Colts winning the three games by very fine bowling, averaging 1071 for the three games. Reed carried off the high honors for the Colts with 683 to his credit, and for the Buckeyes Haberman was the feature with 496. Score:

Thrive On It.

Totals 1102 1114 998 3214

BUCKEYES. 1st. 2d. 3d. Total

Teams.	Won.	Lost.	Per.
Barty	137	159	138 434
Sadler	128	122	158 408
Edwards	123	152	185 460
Capt. Roeder	131	154	138 423
Haberman	153	124	205 496
Hannan	117	124	135 376

Totals 808 820 964 2692

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MARTIN'S FERRY NEWS.

The Daily Chronicle of Wheeling's Progressive Neighbor.

The case of J. W. Frazier et al. against the city will come up in common pleas court at St. Clairsville to-day. It will be remembered that several months ago injunction proceedings were had restraining Contractor Stringer from laying the sewer between Hanover and Walnut streets. The petition that was signed at the time the injunction was granted bears the names of all the residents on the north side of the street.

W. B. Francis, attorney for Mrs. Mary Brunsell, who is charged with fighting, was before Mayor Shipman yesterday afternoon and asked that her case be deferred until next Friday evening at 4 o'clock on account of the inability of Mrs. Brunsell to appear, the wound inflicted on the side of her head having not sufficiently healed. Her hearing was set for 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The request was granted.

The remains of Samuel Smith, whose death at Longmont, Col., was stated in yesterday's Intelligence, will arrive here to-morrow morning at 5 o'clock, via the Cleveland & Pittsburgh railroad. The funeral will occur Friday morning at 10 o'clock from the First Presbyterian church. Rev. S. J. Bogle, pastor of the church, will officiate. The interment will be at Riverview cemetery.

The funeral of Ralph, the 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Theims, took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence, on Washington street. Rev. W. J. Williams, pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal church, officiated. Interment was at Riverview cemetery.

The farm containing thirty-six acres, belonging to the Thoburn heirs, located about four and one-half miles west of this place, was sold at public auction yesterday to Craig Thoburn for \$2,875. This is by all considered a very good price. Five horses were also sold for \$264.

Miss Ethel Gamble, sister of Roy Gamble, the efficient clerk at Ralston's pharmacy, will be married Thursday, April 5th, to Wilson Hoge, formerly of Wheeling, but now of Ardmore, Indian Territory, at the residence of the bride's parents, in Moorefield, W. Va.

Mrs. Blon Williams issued invitations yesterday for two afternoon receptions to be given at her residence on North Broadway. One will be given Tuesday afternoon and the other Friday afternoon of this week.

The Ladies of the Valley mission band will serve refreshments in the dining rooms of the Presbyterian church Friday evening after the illustrated lecture on "Syria" by Rev. S. J. Bogle.

The two sons of Officer Chas. Erwin, who have been seriously ill with lung fever for the past three weeks, are slowly recovering and now thought to be out of danger.

A pulley in the new department of the Laughlin tin mill came loose yesterday morning, throwing the shearmen in that department off for a couple of hours.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Presbyterian church will hold market in the dining departments of the church Saturday afternoon.

Carl Miller, who has been the guest of Joseph Jeger, on West Hanover street, has returned to his home at Dennison.

A congregational meeting will be held at the U. P. church this evening to examine the plans for the new building.

The building committee of the U. P. church met at the church last evening to look over the plans for the new edifice.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee McCord are the proud parents of a new son, which arrived at their home Tuesday.

Michael Lacy left yesterday for Zelenople, Pa., to visit his brother Thomas for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Birdie Hobensack returned yesterday morning from a five weeks' sojourn in Florida.

Colonel L. W. Sutherland, of Little York, O., was calling on friends in town yesterday.

Grant Henderson, of Pittsburgh, is the guest of his brother John, on Walnut street.

Edward Arnold is very ill at his home on South Third street with typhoid fever.

Robert Heslop is slowly improving from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

Mrs. Gillespie, of Portland, was calling on friends in town yesterday.

Mayor Shipman is slightly indisposed.

BRIDGEPORT HAPPENINGS.

Events of a Day in the Town at the End of the Bridge.

Harrison Morgan, of Aetnaville, who was arrested Tuesday on a charge of using abusive language and throwing stones, preferred by C. A. Thomas, principal of the Aetnaville school, was fined \$1.00 and costs by Mayor Nininger.

The funeral of the 18-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. George Walker took place from the family residence, in Kirkwood, yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and the remains were interred in Linwood cemetery.

The funeral of the 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilkinson will take place from the family residence in the West End this afternoon at 2 o'clock, and interment will be at Linwood cemetery.

The remains of James Miller were shipped to St. Clairsville yesterday morning for interment. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. B. Sequest, of the First Methodist Episcopal church.

The funeral of Mrs. John Smith occurred at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from her late residence, in Soapstone. Interment followed at Linwood cemetery.

Misses Lena and Georgia Dent very pleasantly entertained the Young Ladies' Euchre club yesterday afternoon at their home in Brookside.

The Epworth league held an open meeting at the Kirkwood Methodist Episcopal church last evening, which was largely attended.

About fifteen members of the D. O. K. K. went to Bellaire last evening, where they attended a meeting of the lodge of that place.

Miss Alma Worthington, of St. Clairsville, was calling on friends in town yesterday.

Arthur Phillips, of Cambridge, was calling on friends in the city yesterday.

Samuel Bages, who has been ill for the past week, is slowly recovering.

Mrs. George Morgan, of Freeport, O., is the guest of relatives in Kirkwood.

Harry Sells has returned from a business trip to Harpersville.

BENWOOD.

News Notes From the Busy Marshall County Town.

The railway track transfer will be considered at a special meeting of council, and there is a probability of a compromise. It is proposed to permit the tracks on the hillside, the company to run a car around the loop every seven minutes, leaving transfers at the crossing at Schads. Whether this arrangement will be satisfactory remains to be seen. There is talk of another mass meeting.

Medium Stephens, who jumped into newspaper notoriety in the Wheeling papers several days ago, conducted a séance in a private circle here last night. The previous evening, at Wheeling, he is said to have conducted a satisfactory test before thirty-five people, and many were turned away unable to gain admission.

Postmaster Isaiah Stevens, of McMechen, is said to be willing that the mantle of justice of the peace for Union district fall on his shoulders. Mr. Stevens, H. M. Smith and Squires Lacey and Riddle will make a quartette of candidates for the two offices.

Residents of the Fourth ward and the lower portion of the Third ward are raising a justifiable kick about the condition of the streets in the southern section of the town. A person has to wade through a foot of mud, and there is talk of organizing a mud ferry.

Next Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, there will be a meeting of Benwood young men interested in organizing a reading room, a most worthy object. A room in the Eskey building can be secured for \$10 a month.

A Mountsville politician in Benwood yesterday, said that the medical profession was leading the sheriff's race, as represented by Drs. Steele and Dowler, with the others bunched up closely on the home stretch.

There will be six graduates in the high school class this year and they have begun practicing on their orations. The commencement will occur on June 12 or 13.

The residents of the Benwood lowlands are in the throes of the annual spring flood scare, but there is no real ground for alarm yet.

William Snyder, the Junction hotel man, will shortly put a dynamo in his place to furnish his own electric light.

Willie Lacey, the bright little son of Squire Lacey, is suffering from whooping cough.

The Saxton Sisters, a specialty company, will hold forth at the city hall to-night.

Emory Gates has returned from a visit to relatives in Powhattan.

James Nolan has returned from a trip to St. Clairsville.

BELLAIKE HAPPENINGS.

Matters of Interest in the Metropolis of Belmont County.

The management of the New Columbia theatre are certainly in clover these days while the house is new and the people seem to be hungering for plays. Monday night two or three hundred people were turned away, unable to secure even standing room, while last night there was not room for all who wanted in, and the company is to be here all week.

There is a stronger demand for houses as the first of April grows near, and no houses to rent, with the increase of at least two manufacturing here this spring, and more will be absolutely necessary.

The "Dokies" had a good time last night and made a magnificent display by their street parade. It was really gorgeous. The reorganized U. R. K. of P. band headed the procession.

The father of Sebastian Wimmer will reach here from Germany the latter part of this week, and the son will return with him in June, going via Paris to see the exposition.

The novel experience of playing checkers by correspondence is going on with E. E. Workman and Frank Pine, of this city, and a man in Michigan.

Deputy Auditor A. W. Beatty and Deputy Treasurer John D. Hays came from St. Clairsville last night and attended the "Dokie" meeting.

Sheriff Foreman, Albert Lawrence and James B. Ryan were Bellaire visitors from St. Clairsville yesterday.

Mayor Rodefer came home from Hiram college yesterday to spend his spring vacation.

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